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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Introductory Comments

In the final Office Communication of 15 August 2008, the Office has rejected claims 1-3, 5, 7-14, 16-19 and 21-36 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Aslam et al. (Static and Dynamic Information Organization with Star Clusters), rejecting claim 4 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aslam et al. in view of Apte et al. (U.S. Patent 6654739), and rejecting claims 6, 15 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aslam et al. in view of Lam et al. (U.S. Patent Publication 2003/0220858). In addition, the Office has rejected claims 1 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, and asserted that a claim duplication exists between Applicant's claim 1 and claim 29.

Applicant has amended the claims and presented arguments to traverse the rejections and assertions by the Office.

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